

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Joseph Biden
President
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Dear President Biden,

Our country is facing numerous challenges as we work to defeat the pandemic and reopen our economy. At 100 days in, your policies have cost Georgians \$100 million¹ in economic benefits from the All-Star Game while you supported \$350 billion in bailouts for mismanaged blue states² and nearly \$36 billion in cuts to Medicare for seniors.³ Recent reports that you will be visiting Atlanta this week, likely to tout partisan proposals, raises several concerns for those of us who represent millions of Georgians in Congress.

Your recent rhetoric around Georgia's Election Integrity Act raises serious concerns for those of us focused on restoring faith in our electoral system. Regardless of your party or beliefs, every Georgian has the right to know and acknowledge that their votes will be counted when cast within the law. Your statements that this law is akin to Jim Crow-era policies are dangerous and abhorrent.⁴ The Washington Post recently fact-checked your statements and gave them 'four Pinocchio's' in a sign that they are woefully inappropriate.⁵ When you visit Georgia this week, you should utilize this opportunity to retract that statement and set the record straight.

In addition to your comments about the law, you affirmed your support for Major League Baseball (MLB) moving the All-Star Game from Georgia.⁶ While we recognize Delaware does not have a professional baseball team, we can assure you that Georgians and the Atlanta Braves have ties that run deep. The decision by the MLB, which you supported, will cost Georgians nearly \$100 million in lost revenue. Your constant statements about getting the economy back on track and creating opportunities run contrary to your actions on this issue. This is another opportunity for you to retract your previous statements and set the record straight.

¹ Kevin Shalvey, "MLB's decision to relocate its All-Star Game will cost Georgia \$100 million, a tourism official says", *Business Insider*, April 4, 2021, <https://www.businessinsider.com/georgia-lose-100-million-after-mlb-decision-tourism-official-2021-4>

² Marisa Schultz, "Senate GOP blasts 'blue state bailout' in Biden's \$1.9T coronavirus bill", *Fox News*, March 3, 2021, <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/senate-gop-rallies-against-bidens-1-9t-coronavirus-bill-blasting-its-blue-state-bailout>

³ Jacqueline LaPointe, "Providers Blast Medicare Spending Cuts in COVID Relief Package", *Revcycle Intelligence*, March 11, 2021, <https://revcycleintelligence.com/news/providers-blast-medicare-spending-cuts-in-covid-relief-package>

⁴ Maegan Vazquez and Kate Sullivan, "Biden calls Georgia law 'Jim Crow in the 21st Century' and says Justice Department is 'taking a look'", *CNN*, March 26, 2021, <https://www.cnn.com/2021/03/26/politics/joe-biden-georgia-voting-rights-bill/index.html>

⁵ Glenn Kessler, "Biden falsely claims the new Georgia law 'ends voting hours early'", *Washington Post*, March 30, 2021, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2021/03/30/biden-falsely-claims-new-georgia-law-ends-voting-hours-early/>

⁶ Jessica Campisi, "Biden says he would 'strongly support' moving the MLB All-Star Game out of Georgia over new voting law", *CNN*, April 1, 2021, <https://www.cnn.com/2021/04/01/politics/biden-mlb-all-star-game-georgia/index.html>

We have been calling on your Administration to fully address the crisis at the border. Record numbers of migrants are crossing the border illegally with your policies fueling the problem. We cannot look solely to solutions with Central American leaders, but instead they must be made here.⁷ This humanitarian crisis affects everyone, including Georgians, and now is the time for you to acknowledge the crisis, restore policies that addressed illegal immigration, and devote the necessary resources to secure our border.

Finally, you will undoubtedly preview your recent proposals while discussing what your Administration has done in the first 100 days of your presidency. While you have progressed your agenda through executive actions and partisan legislative packages, we urge you to work across the aisle on issues like infrastructure and jobs. Georgians have suffered because of your policies, but you have an opportunity to walk back these decisions and misinformation.

Sincerely,




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⁷ Katelyn Caralle, "I can't get to Central America soon enough": Kamala says migrant surge will 'not be solved overnight' as she prepares to meet with Central American leaders - but STILL makes no mention of a trip to the border", *DailyMail*, April 25, 2021, <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9509423/1-Central-America-soon-Kamala-prepares-meet-Central-American-leaders.html>